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Subject: MLPAComments: California Coastline

I cannot understand how anyone could think the California Sport Fisherman could be depleting our beautiful coast line of its natural wonders. If anything, the Sport fisherman (I am one) is your first line of defense against poachers, willful destruction of coastline, anyone taking over their limit on any specie of fish from anywhere, ocean, surf or pier, and most of all, we all practice Catch & Release. Your closures will stop something that is as much a part of our daily lives as our freeways....The Sport Fisherman could not damage our coastline no more than you could loose all the grains of sand in the Arizona Desert...pat@wonews.comI have seen factory ships in U.S. Waters, Mexican Waters, just scoop by the ton ALL types of fish while only wanting one or two, and throwing over the side what they didn't want. They do more damage to our fisheries in one week than Sport Fisherman do in a lifetime. Please review your findings and realize your actions will have profound results on many thousands of people. I taught my sons to ocean fish, they are now teaching their sons to ocean fish. If you continue with the closing of our coast line, my great grandsons will learn what a Yellowtail is by looking at a book, not the end of a fishing rod. Thanks for your time,

a very concerned California Sport Fisherman...

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